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Mail Stop Patent Application

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Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 CFR 1.53(b) are the specification and claims of the nonprovisional patent application of:

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METHOD OF AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE PROCESSING, IMAGE PROCESSING SYSTEM, AND IMAGE FORMING APPARATUS

Title of Invention

APPLICATION ELEMENTS ENCLOSED:

1. X Specification, total pages 31 including:
  - a. 12 pages of claims (37 claims)
  - b. 1 page(s) Abstract
2. X 6 sheets of      informal X formal drawings (Figs. 1-6)
3.      Oath or declaration of Applicant(s) (      total pages)
  - a.      Newly executed (original)
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  - c.      Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Item 14 completed)
4.      Deletion of Inventor(s)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
5.      Incorporation By Reference  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied in item 3b is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
6.      Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)

APPLICATION PARTS ENCLOSED:

7.      An assignment (cover sheet & document(s))
8.      37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (*when there is an assignee*)
9.      Power of Attorney
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